



Hydrogen Infrastructure Strategies

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H₂ TRANSITION => MULTIPLE TRANSITIONS

- Vehicle technology
- Fuel Supply infrastructure
- New, low carbon primary supply

ALL ALT FUELS/VEHICLES FACE THESE ISSUES TO SOME DEGREE

FIRST STEPS OF THESE TRANSITIONS ARE UNDERWAY (Though Not Exclusively Tied to H₂)

FOCUS OF THIS TALK

THE ROLE OF H₂ INFRASTRUCTURE IN COMMERCIALIZATION OF H₂ VEHICLES

- **Early market/transition issues**
 - **Station deployment strategies**
 - **Transition costs**
- **H2 Infrastructure Design**
 - **Pathway choice**
 - **Cost**

EARLY MARKET/TRANSITION ISSUES

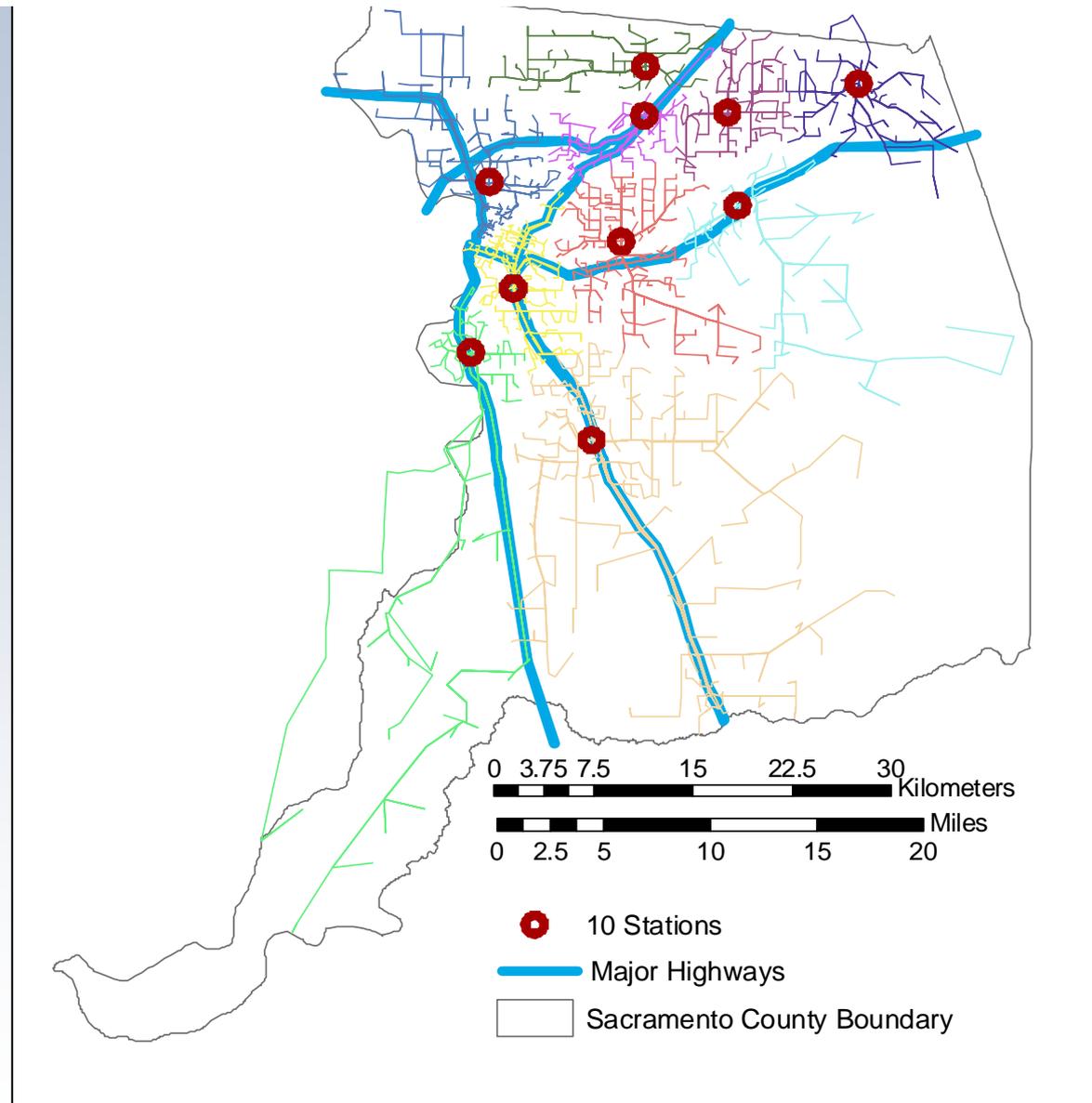
We know how to build individual H₂ stations

Issues:

- Station deployment strategies
 - Coordination: Timing and Co-location H₂ vehicles, users and stations
 - Station siting and permitting
 - # of stations
 - Lighthouse Concepts
- Transition costs (stations and vehicles)

H₂ STATION DEPLOYMENT STRATEGY

- How many H₂ stations are needed for consumer convenience?
- Where should they be located?
- Use travel time as a metric for customer convenience

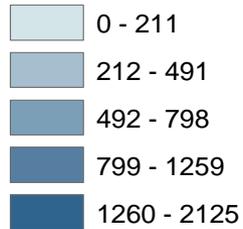


Sacramento County Analyses

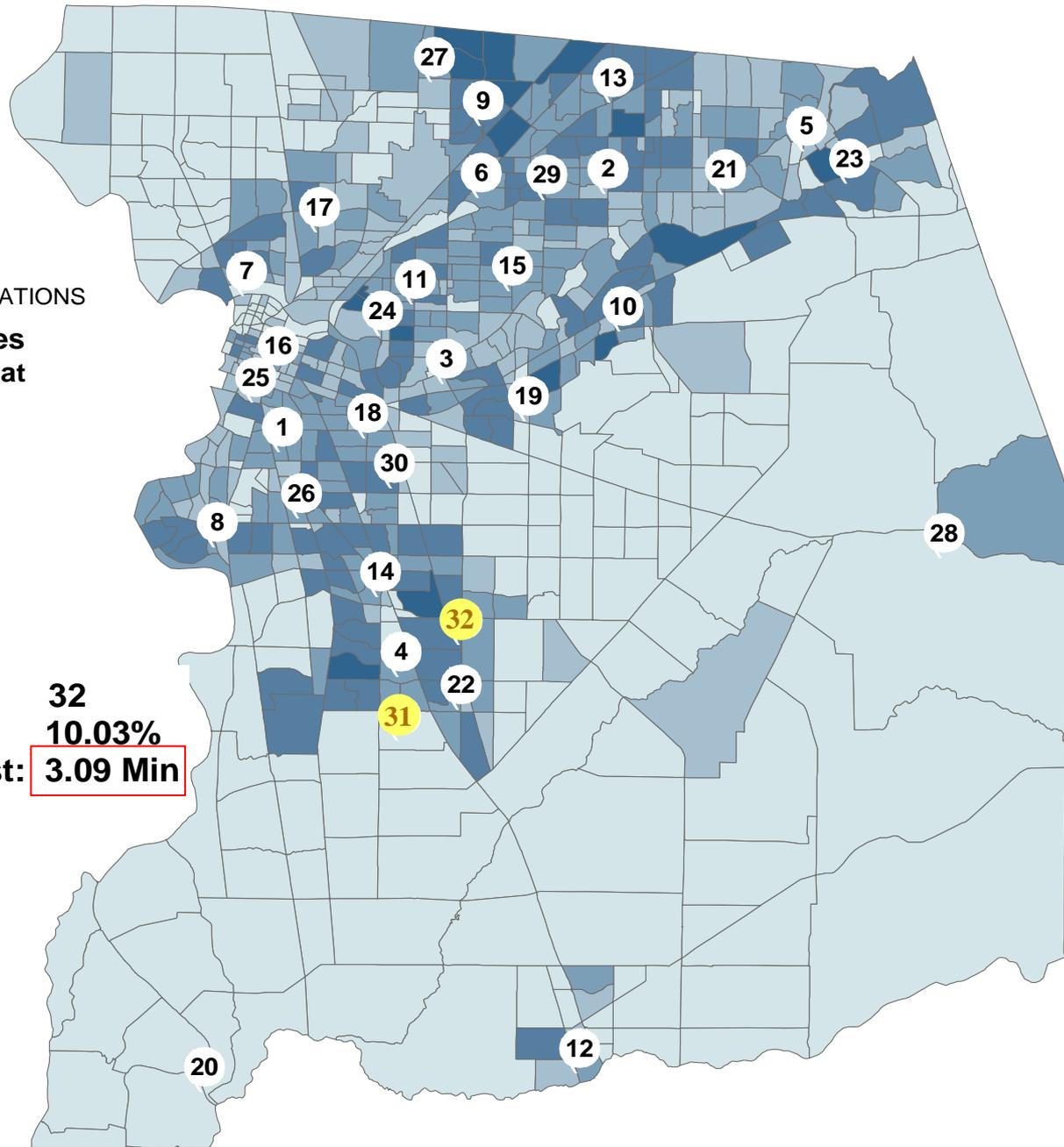
Legend

(HYPOTHETICAL STATIONS

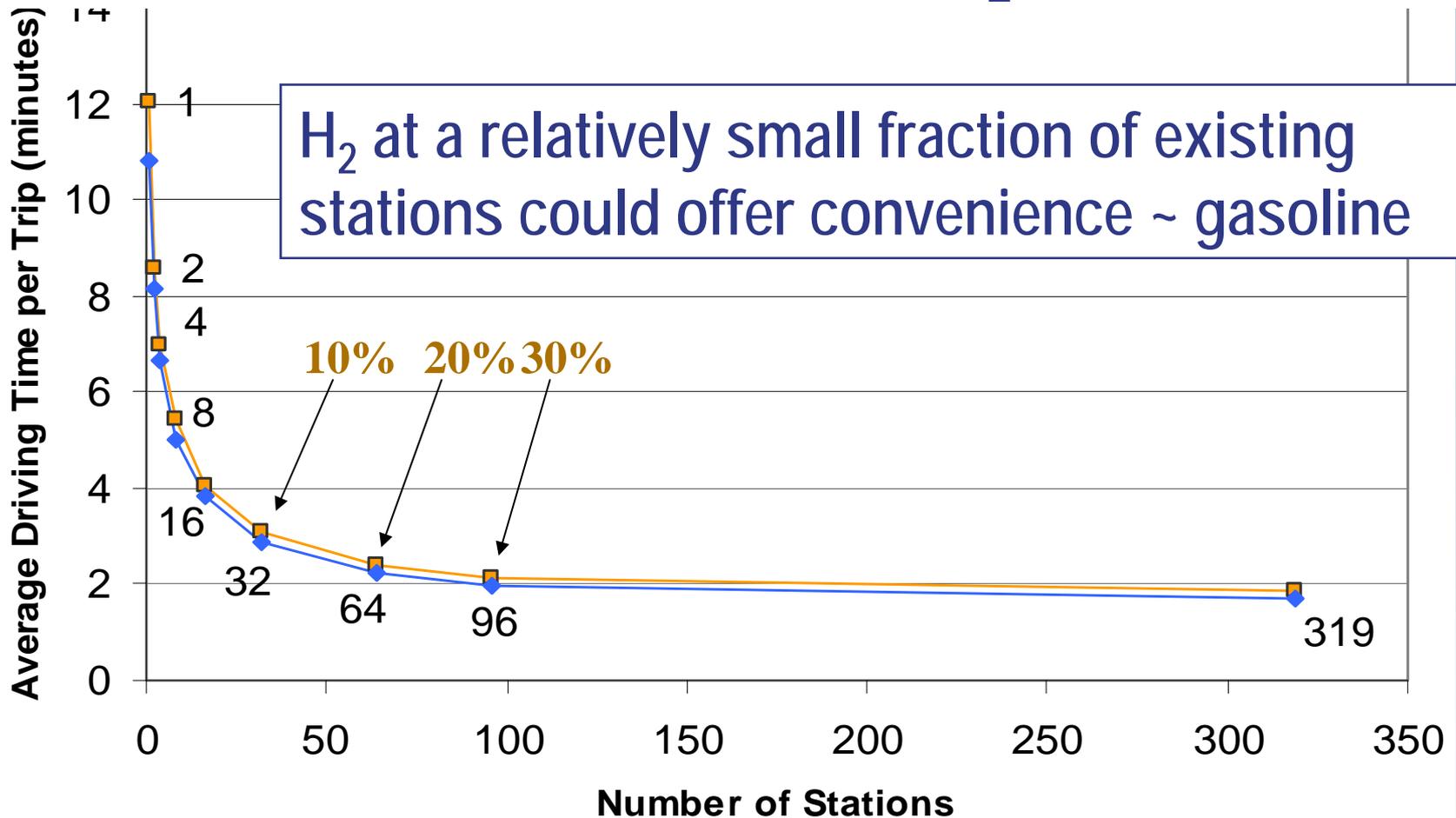
Traffic Analysis Zones
Vehicles leaving zone at
6:30 - 7:30



Number of Stations: 32
Percent of Stations: 10.03%
Avg. Time to Nearest: 3.09 Min



AVE. TRAVEL TIME VS. # H₂ STATIONS

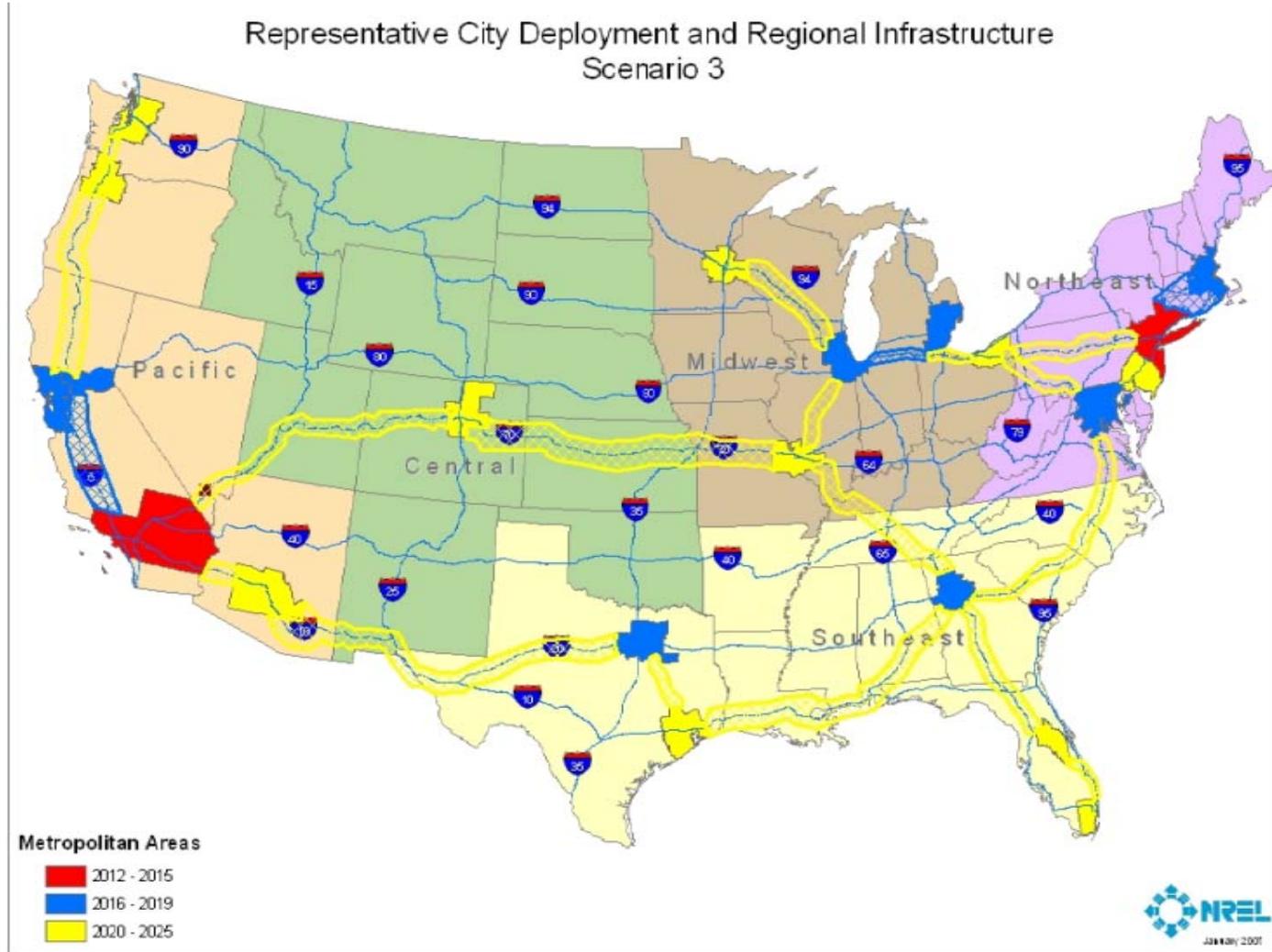


We don't need H₂ at every gasoline station to get started. Sparse network is OK initially.

LIGHTHOUSE CONCEPT

Concentrate early H2 Infrastructure in a few key cities to reach low cost via scale economies

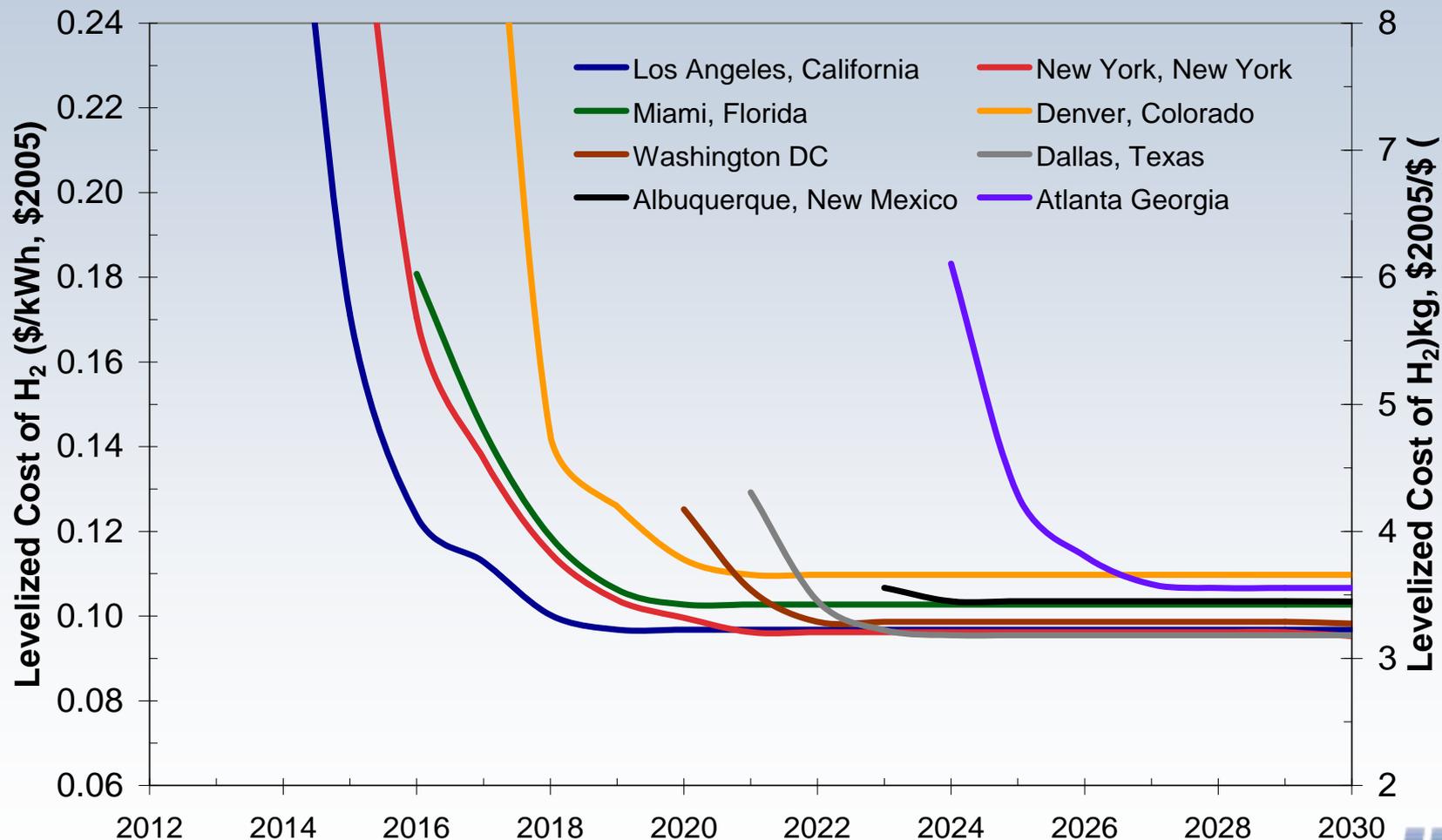
DOE Scenario for Phased Introduction of H2 in Lighthouse Cities.



H₂ COST IN SERIES OF US LIGHTHOUSE CITIES

(UCD Infrastructure Model Results for Lowest Cost Supply Pathways)

Hydrogen Cost in Selected Cities



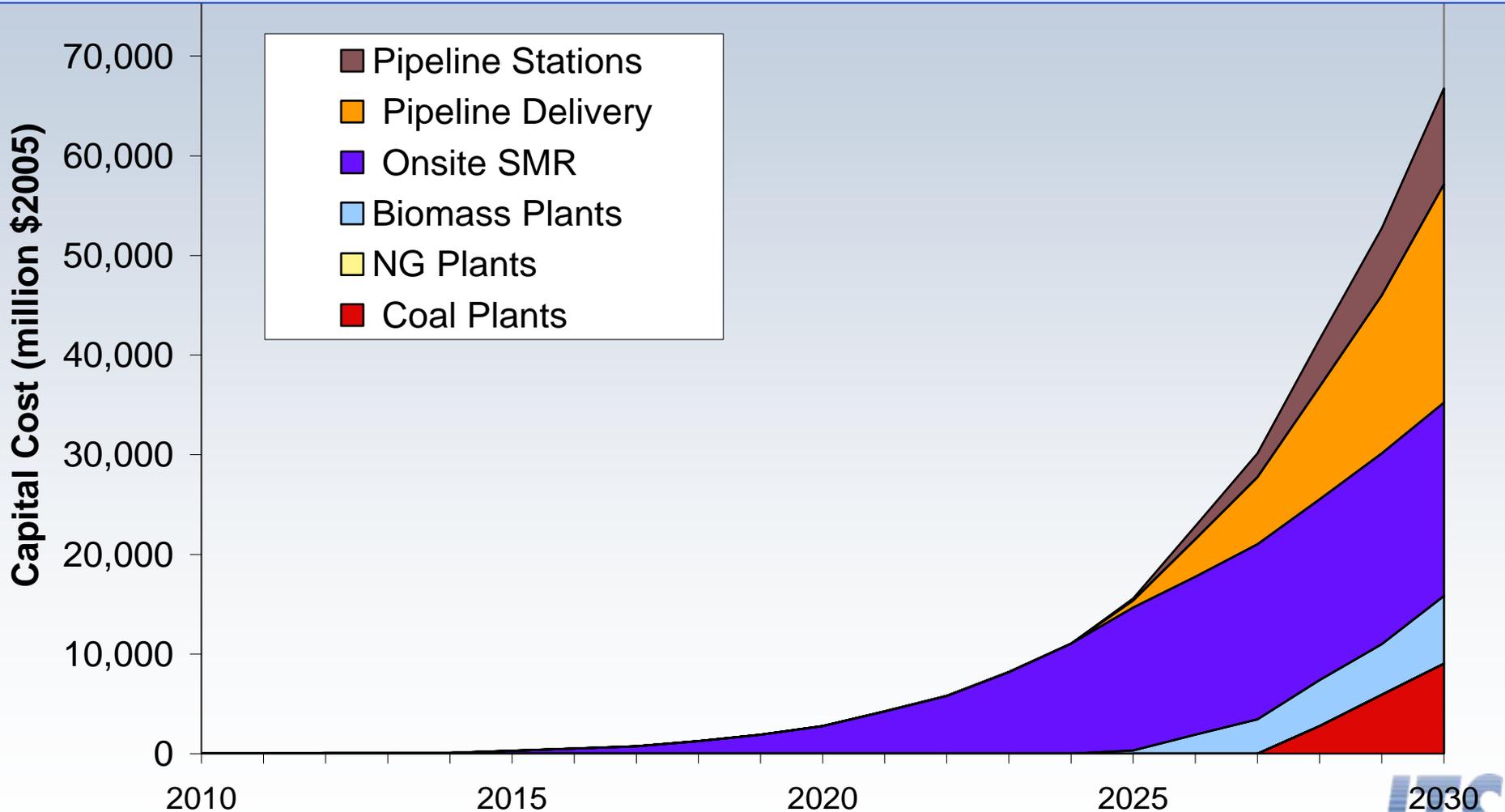
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UCD MODEL RESULTS

LOWEST COST H₂ SUPPLY PATHWAYS

Onsite

SMR + central biomass + central coal w/CCS w/pipelines



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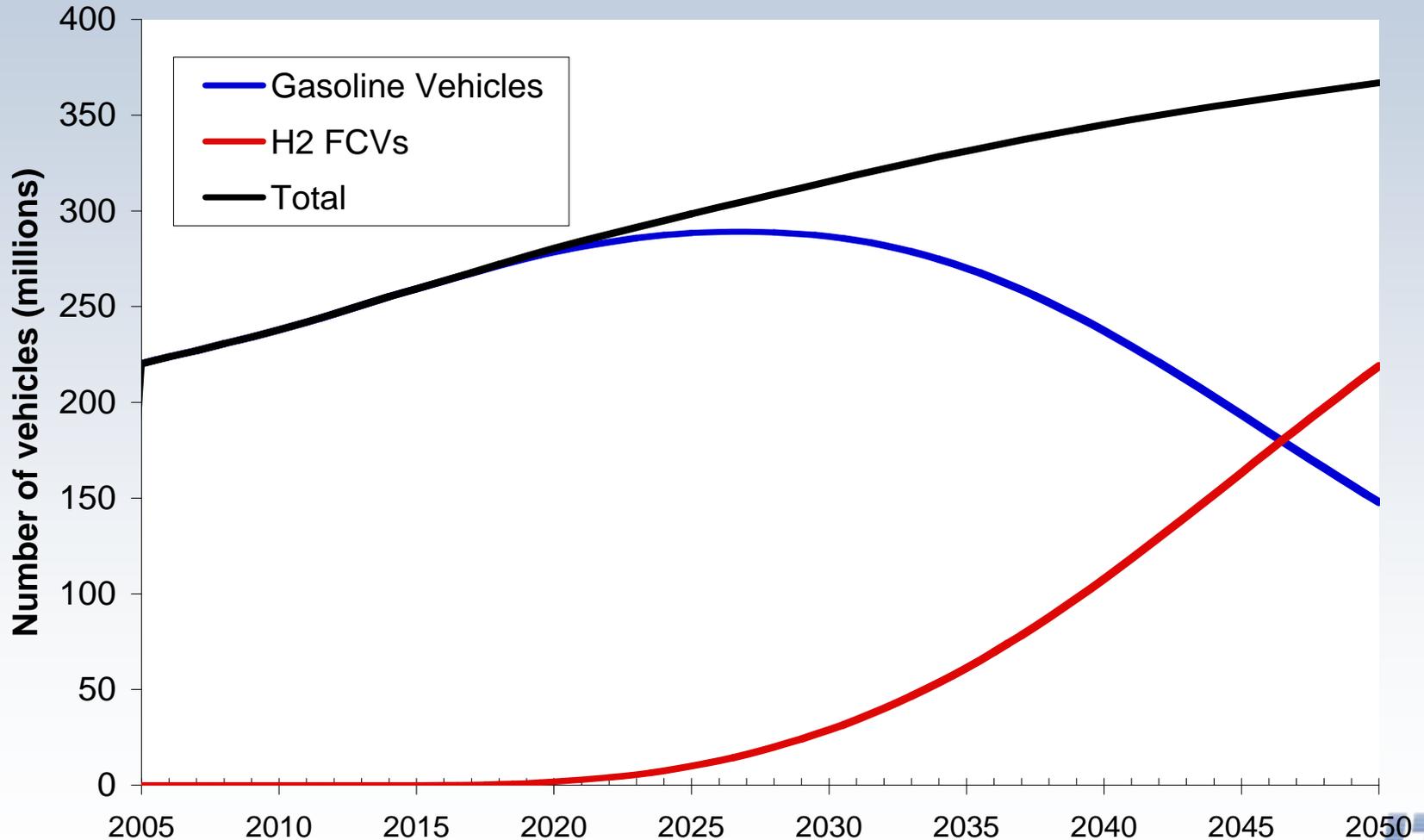
H₂ TRANSITION COST

What are investment costs required for H₂ fuel cell vehicles to reach lifecycle cost competitiveness with reference gasoline vehicles?

- H₂ Vehicles**
- H₂ Infrastructure**

H₂ FCV INTRODUCTION SCENARIO

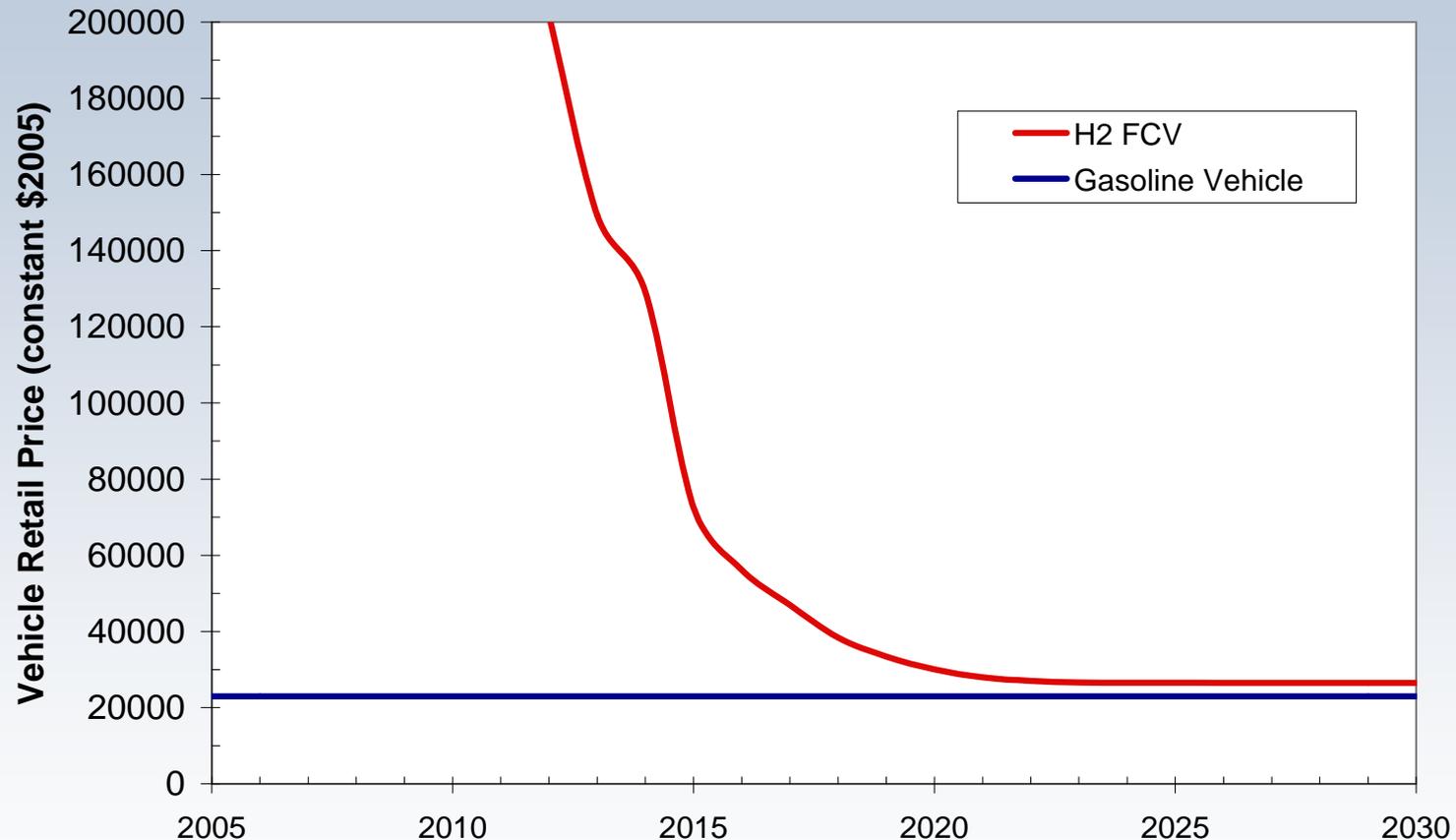
US Fleet Numbers of Vehicles



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H₂ FCV PRICE VS. TIME

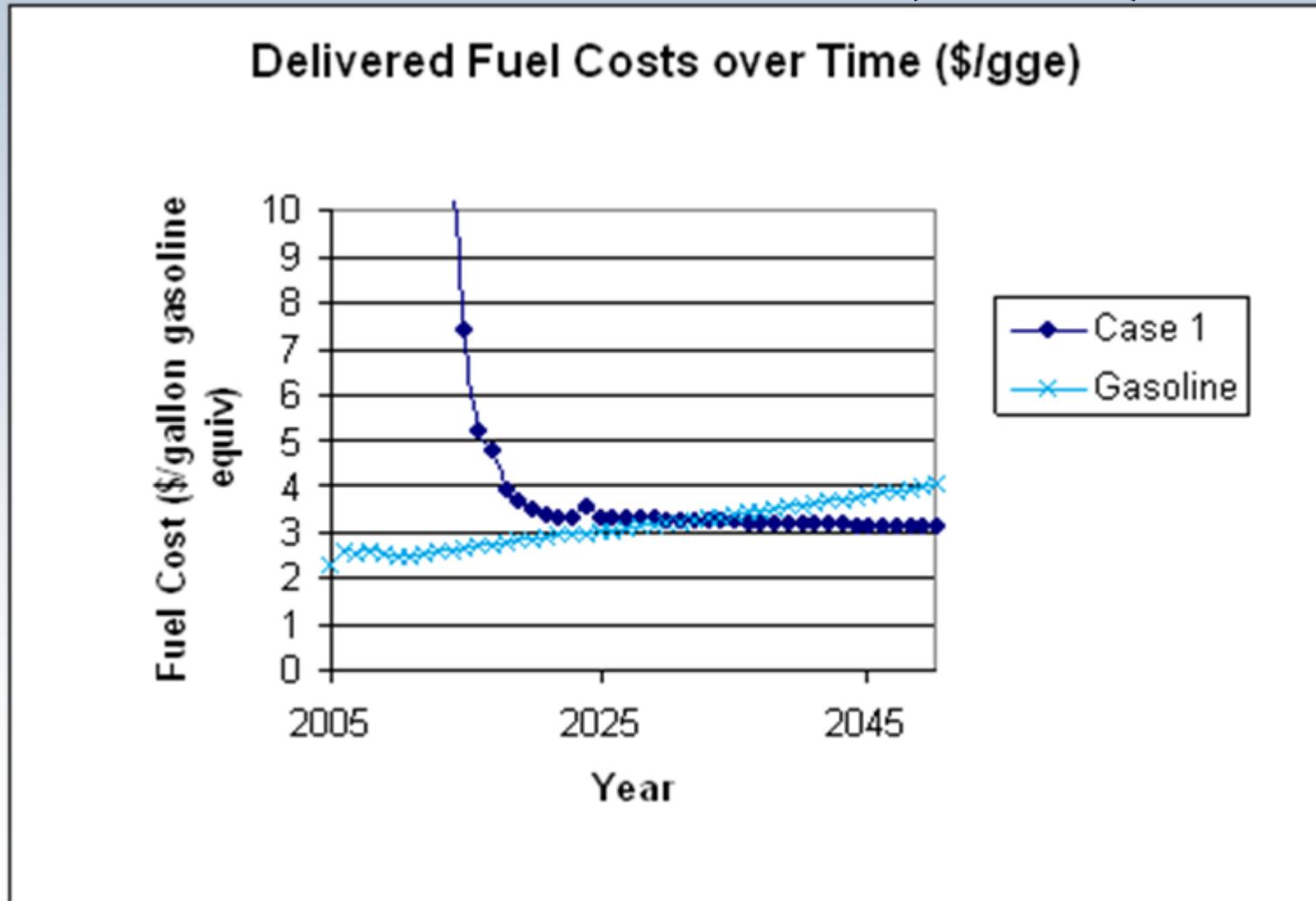
Vehicle Retail Price Comparison



Price falls due to R&D improvements, cumulative experience and manufacturing scale-up.

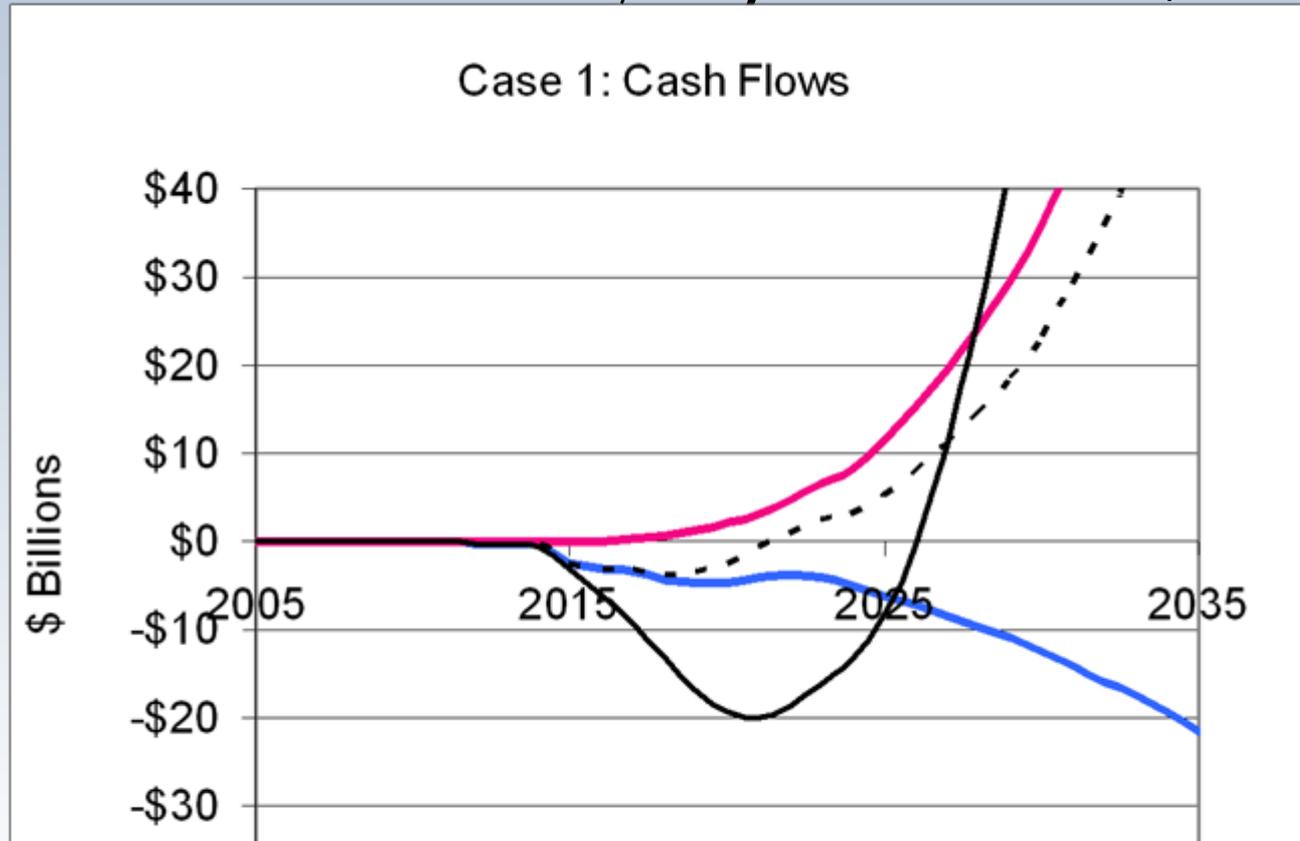
H₂ FCV Vehicle Price from Greene, Leiby, Bowman (2007).

US AVERAGE DELIVERED H₂ COST VS. GASOLINE PRICE (\$/GGE)



CASH FLOW ANALYSIS

Breakeven Year = 2022; Buydown Cost ~ \$20 Billion



- Capital Cost Diff (Gasoline Vehicle - H2 Vehicle) \$/y
- Fuel Cost Difference (gasoline Fuel - H2 Fuel) \$/y
- Annual cash Flow (Capital Cost Diff + Fuel Cost Diff) \$/y
- Cumulative Cash Flow \$

H₂ TRANSITION TIMING AND COSTS

Breakeven Year (Annual Cash flow = 0)	2022
Cumulative cash flow difference (H2 FCV - Gasoline ref Car) to breakeven year	\$19 Billion
Cumulative vehicles first cost difference (H2 FCVs-Ref Gasoline Car) to breakeven year	\$31 Billion
# H2 FCVs cars at breakeven year (millions)	4.1 (1.4% of fleet)
H2 cost at breakeven year	\$3.3/kg
H2 demand, # H2 stations at breakeven year	3100 t/d 2900 stations
Total cost to build infrastructure for demand at breakeven year	\$5.8 Billion

**Breakeven takes ~10 years (~4 million FCVs);
is ~\$40B; Vehicle buydown ~80% of cost;**

Total cost 

INSIGHTS ABOUT H₂ INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGIES AND COMMERCIALIZATION

Infrastructure Modeling Results

- Sparse station networks offer adequate consumer convenience (don't need H₂ at every gasoline station to start)
- Concentrate early infrastructure in lighthouse cities to benefit from scale economies (don't want H₂ in every city to start)
- Best H₂ supply pathway depends on demand level, geography, local energy prices, policy. (Trends: distributed -> central production; NG -> renewables, fossil w/ CCS; long-term larger, fewer stations than gasoline)

Assuming Rapid Implementation of H₂ FCVs (10 Million~2025)

- H₂ FCVs come down learning curve once they make up a few % of LDV fleet (10+ years after introduction)
- H₂ delivered costs come down scale economy curve in lighthouse cities 5-10 years after introduction.
- Overall transition costs \$10s Billions over 10+ years (>80% for vehicles; <20% for infrastructure)